



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: June 7, 2011

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Patrol Division, Police Department

SUBJECT: Alcoholic Beverage Control Grant Assistance To Local Law Enforcement Agencies

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing Acceptance of Funding Granted by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Alcoholic Beverage Control Grant Assistance to Local Law Enforcement Agencies Project;
- B. Authorize the Police Chief to execute the grant agreement award; and
- C. Appropriate the City's grant allocation of \$60,000 to the Miscellaneous Grant Fund.

DISCUSSION:

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Grant Assistance to Local Law Enforcement Agencies Project grant funds will be used to conduct training for alcohol servers and vendors by conducting a LEADS class put on by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC). The Police Department will also provide information through the media to the general community on the reporting of alcohol-related offenses, and establish procedures for better identifying and mitigating law enforcement problems at and near alcohol-vending premises.

Through the use of this grant money, the Police Department will employ a full spectrum of City, County, State and community resources to conduct undercover operations at ABC licensed premises. This will include periodic special alcohol enforcement actions, such as Trap-Door operations and Shoulder-Tap programs. The Police Department will be able to broaden the enforcement of Business and Professions Code violations commonly occurring at alcohol vending establishments by minors and adults who purchase alcohol for minors.

These grant-funded projects will be implemented by the Nightlife Enforcement Team. An information system will be used, which will support a multi-task, multi-agency approach to training, enforcement and mitigation, working with a broad range of business and community organizations. The goals are to promote self-policing by alcohol serving

establishments, increase community involvement in responsible alcohol use, and to reduce the number of alcohol-related incidents involving minors linked with ABC licensees.

The Santa Barbara Police Department is nationally recognized as a leader in Community Oriented Problem Solving and Community Oriented Policing, and has applied these skills to its Nightlife Enforcement Team, presently focused on a large and concentrated number of ABC licensees in the City's central business district.

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SUBMITTED BY: Camerino Sanchez, Chief of Police

APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office